Hamilton County Commissioner's Court

Budget Workshop

Monday, July 29, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met on Monday, July 29, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Commissioner Dickie Clary, Commissioner Keith Curry and Commissioner Lloyd Huggins. Hamilton County Judge Yates called the meeting to order and a quorum was established.

There were no Open Comments today.

The Commissioners Court opened with a moment of silence for Wayne Edgin, an Officer with the Hico Police Department that passed away recently.

The Court had no Budget Adjustments (L.I.T.) at this time.

9:02 am – FEMA discussions began.

The Commissioners Court discussed the need to have all questions prepared for an upcoming meeting with our FEMA and TDEM representatives. Several of the questions to be asked are:

- Who is in control FEMA or TDEM?
- Clarification on exactly what is due for submission and the deadlines?
- When will the reimbursements be provided to the County?
- How does TDEM allocate the funds received from FEMA?
- Will TDEM hold the funds once they are received from FEMA and if so, how long?
- Will TDEM take a percentage of the FEMA funds?

The Court also discussed the Damage Inventory submission and believe everything is due for submission before September 13, 2024.

Judge James Yates provided an update on the Mold issue in the County Clerk's basement. The state will be testing the mold within the nest 24-48 hours and then the results should take about 48 hours to receive. Once the results of what type of mold is present then ServPro will begin with the remediation and restoration of the mold damaged areas in the basement. Judge Yates stated that the County insurance policy will cover water damages but will not cover mold damages. Commissioner Huggins suggested the County Clerks office obtain an air purifier of some type.

FEMA discussions ended at 9:33 am

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- Still waiting on the Tax Rate numbers to be submitted form the Appraisal District.
- Jainie, Auditor, provided projected Expenses at \$5,689,014.70, Revenue at \$6,164,341.00 with the difference being \$475,326.30

The Commissioners Court adjourned at 9:40 am.

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